



American Planning Association
Kansas Chapter

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KS APA Executive Committee conference call minutes, February 17, 2010 at 8:30 am

Attendance -Annie Driver, Bart Rudolph, Chad Bunger, Greg Czaplewski, Sara Copeland, Steve Zilke, Thomas Dow, Brian Pitts

Absent - Adam Runner, James Holland, Eldon Miller, Nick Pappas, Lisa Koch

- A. **Kansas City Metro APA Section Rebate Discussion** - Brian Pitts, President of the Section joined the call. The discussion centered on the Section's request from the KS Chapter to secure a rebate for the 2008 and 2009 past years and the amount of the rebate. The Section requested \$1,905 based upon 190 members in 2008 and 1991 members in 2009. Brian outlined some of the future 2010 plans for the Section; including monthly newsletters, articles, offering more CM credits with events, partnership with Kansas City Design Center. Their March 25 annual meeting will occur at Boulevard Brewery as a fundraiser for the Section. The Section is trying to find various ways of representing City and Counties in the Kansas City region on issues. However, all this can not be accomplished with their current account balance of \$700. This is the reason they are now asking the Chapter for a rebate. The Section is looking to start implementing voluntary Section dues and provide more services/cheaper registration fees to dues paying members. Questions for board: Thomas - We need to establish a regular system for request money on an annual basis so not back-tracking; Sara- Asked if the Section has discussed a timeframe and procedure for requesting rebates? Brian answered they are discussing adopting an amendment to their bylaws to outline a process for the request- For example, would request rebate in January 2010 based upon December 2009 member roster. Thomas mentioned that it may be best to wait on asking people to pay dues until they have provided services and offered events. Brian made a formal request and asked for \$5/member and this based on previous year's rebate amount. **Thomas made official motion (Bart seconded) setting amount at \$5/member. All voted in favor. Second motion by Thomas (Bart seconded) to approve rebate based on \$5/member for \$1,905 for 2008 and 2009. All in favor.** Brian stated he would add the Chapter's Spring Symposium to their next newsletter and he would add all KS APA board members to their listserv as well.
- B. **Student APA National Conference support-** 2010 budget allows \$2,000 to assist students in attending APA conference. What we know: 16 students want to attend from KState and 10 from KU. Steve- $\$2000/26 =$ leaves \$76 per student. Decided to offer \$75 per student to attend conference and firm up exact amounts by March 1st. Board decided we would give \$75 as reimbursement to each student attending conference if the write a brief paragraph about their experience. **Bart made official motion (Greg seconded). All voted in favor.**
- C. **Spring Symposium-** Update
 1. Requesting 6 CM credits, which is in process by Eldon Miller
 2. Decided Board members have to pay, with exception of Bart and Thomas who are responsible for most of the leg work.
- D. **Mid-America Regional Council funding request-** MARC has asked us for funding assistance to help them obtain CM credits due to the Kansas City Section not being able to cover them this year. Board had some concerns about being asked to provide assistance in perpetuity and whether we would be providing too many services in Kansas City area. Steve mentioned that KState will also be requesting funding in next year for a lecture series since this could affect our level of commitment.
- E. **Other-** Thomas brought up possible summer events; maybe something social? Golf tournament, canoe trip?
- F. **Conference Planning-** Email ideas to Chad Bunger
 1. Think about ideas for good Key Note speaker or topic?
 2. APA Leadership speaker?

3. Ideas for Social events?